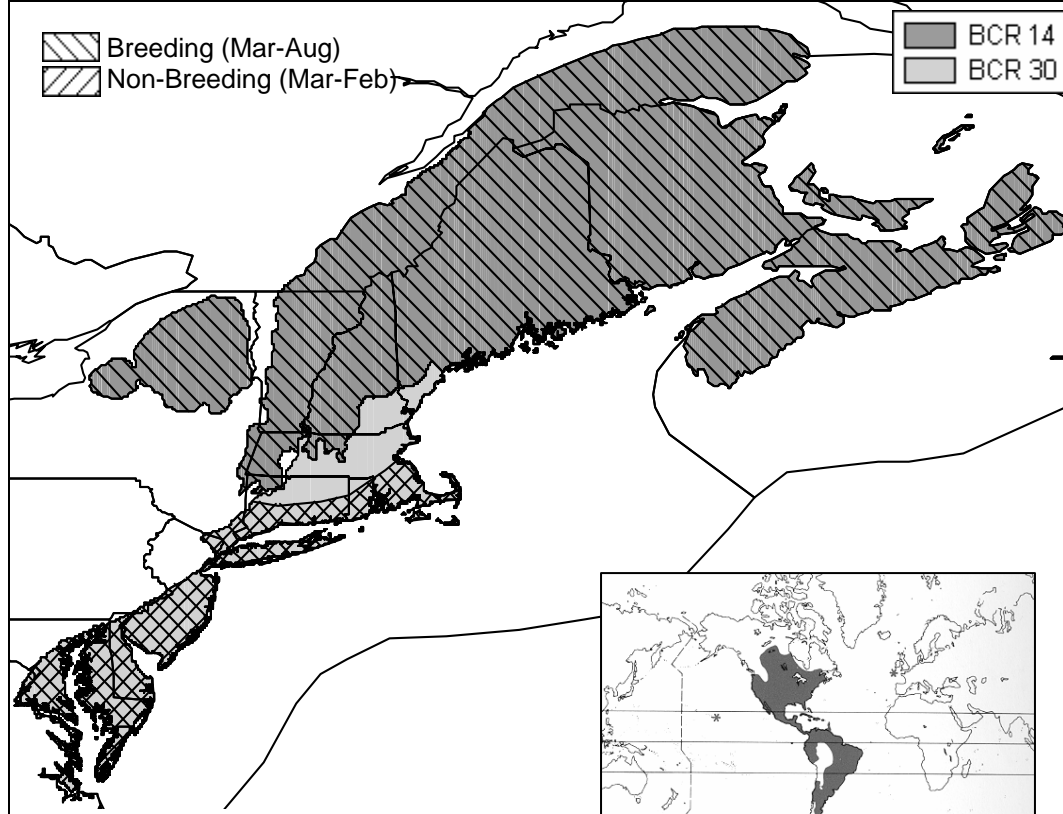


PIED-BILLED GREBE (*Porphyrio podiceps podiceps*)

Conservation Status: Abundance (b=breeding, nb=nonbreeding, t=total individuals), Population Importance (% reference population) and Conservation Rank							
Global	North America	BCR 14	BCR 30	Mid-Atlantic	S. New England	Gulf of Maine	Maritimes
?	1,888,500b (? % global)	?b (? % NA)	?b (? % NA)	?b (? % MANEM)	?b (? % MANEM)	?b (? % MANEM)	1,600b (? % MANEM)
IUCN- Not Evaluated	NAWCP- Not currently at risk	Not at risk	Not at risk	NJ- S1B, S3N; DE-S1B, S3N; MD-S2B, S3N; VA-S2B, S3N	NY-S3B, S1N; CT-S1B, SZN; RI- S1B, SZN; MA-S1; VT-S2B,S3N	MA-S1; NH-S1B, SZN; ME-S4B; NB-S5B,NS-S4B	QC-S3; NB-S1S2B; PE-no info; NS-S1B



Regional Occurrence [BCRs 14 (LME 8), 30 (LME 7)]

- Distribution: breeds in region; winters in BCR 30
- Habitats used: breeds in lakes, ponds, beaver ponds, sluggish streams and marshes; winters in brackish bays and estuaries; forages in open water, mostly underwater; among rooted aquatic plants, in semi-emergent wetlands, freshwater wetlands in rural and agricultural fields; riparian areas: still bays, sloughs, other bodies of non-moving water; sewage ponds, brackish impounded coastal marshes; found at sites with high marshbird diversity

PIF BD=1; PIF ND=1

Regional Abundance

- 1990s: US—unknown; CAN—1,600b
- Historical population size: unknown
- Increase in regional population

PIF RA=4; PIF PT=1

Regional Threats/Limiting Factors

- Invasive species of vegetation can degrade nesting habitat
- Competition with introduced species (Mute Swan, resident Canada Goose)
- Pollution and environmental contaminants
- Can mistake roads for water bodies and are then unable to take flight
- Accidental/intentional shootings by duck hunters

PIF TB=2; PIF TN=2

Conservation Needs: *Sustainability:* 5.53 hatchlings/breeding pair; *Density:* 1.3-12.2 pairs/km² dependent on type of wetland; *Conservation Actions:* ID and protect important staging and wintering grounds. Study abundance, distribution and population trends (little known because species secretive and difficult to detect on bird surveys); *Needs:* ID limiting factors, monitor and ID key nesting areas, may require habitat management and invasive species management in nesting areas; *Population Goals:* census; *Habitat Goals:* no net loss of wetland habitats, esp. those with equal proportions emergent vegetation and water; wetlands should be larger than 10 ha